

In-text Grammar

We use the **simple past tense** to talk about things that happened in the past. For **irregular verbs**, we do not add '-ed' to the base form of the verbs when we write them in the **simple past tense**. We change their spellings.

e.g. Tom **was** (**be**) hungry this morning so he **made** (**make**) some sandwiches for breakfast.

e.g. Mum **told** (**tell**) me a story before I **went** (**go**) to bed last night.

Terry is reading a real story about an author.

Roald Dahl was a naughty boy when he was young. He often got into trouble at school. After high school, he told his mum he wanted to start working and go on amazing adventures in places like China or Africa. Finally, his wish came true. He got a job in Africa. Later, as the Second World War began, he became a pilot and helped fight against the enemies.

In 1940, Roald had an accident. His plane crashed and he was seriously hurt. He could not see anything for a short period of time. When he got better, he moved to America and met a writer there. The writer asked him to write about his flying experiences for a newspaper. From then on, he started to spend a lot of time writing.

In 1943, Roald published his first storybook for children, *The Gremlins*. Twenty-one years later, he published the famous storybook, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*. Today, Roald Dahl is one of the best-selling authors in the world.





Choose the best answers by blackening the circles.

Skill 1. Choose the best title for the story.

- A. *Amazing Adventures*
 B. *The Great Pilot*
 C. *Roald Dahl's Storybooks*
 D. *The Life of Roald Dahl*



Q1

A good title tells what the whole story is about.

2. Which is **TRUE** about Roald Dahl?

- A. He wanted to keep studying after high school.
 B. His dream came true when he got a job in China.
 C. He published *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* in 1964.
 D. He shared his writing experiences in a newspaper.

3. What is the correct order of the following events about Roald Dahl?

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| (1) He became a famous writer. | (2) He fought in the Second World War. |
| (3) He almost died in an accident. | (4) He started to write for a newspaper. |
- A. (3) → (2) → (1) → (4)
 B. (2) → (3) → (4) → (1)
 C. (2) → (4) → (1) → (3)
 D. (4) → (3) → (2) → (1)

Fill in the blanks with the correct words.

4. Which two countries did Roald Dahl want to visit after high school?

He wanted to visit _____ and _____ after high school.

5. What happened to Roald Dahl's eyes after the accident?

He _____ for a short period of time after the accident.

Fill in each blank with ONE word from the story.

I was late for school in the morning because there was an accident. A bicycle

⑥ _____ into the school bus I took. Luckily, no one was

⑦ _____.



Q6-7

Read paragraph 2 for the answers.